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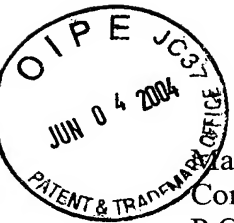Filed: October 26, 2001   Examiner: Michael. E. Barr
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AMENDMENT

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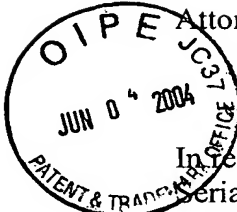
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Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT in the above-identified patent application.
☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.
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